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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	1	JP 4-500401	1-23-1992	Japan	X	
	2	WO 9101034	1-24-1991	PCT		
	3	JP 2001-3322	1-9-2001	Japan	X	X
	4	JP 08-319680	12-3-1996	Japan	X	X
	5	JP 49-87210	7-29-1974	Japan		
	6	JP 63-24296	2-1-1988	Japan		

OTHER DOCUMENTS

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With respect to the following references, since there is no English translation thereof available, we provide brief comments on them as follows.

JP49-087210 A (D5) discloses a sound-absorbing unit which includes a embossed nonwoven fabric 1, and nonwoven fabrics 2 and 3 which are disposed opposite sides of the embossed nonwoven fabric 1. In the sound-absorbing unit, air layers 5 are formed.

JP63-24296 A (D6) discloses a sound-absorbing unit which includes an outer hull 2, a honeycomb structure 4 having air layers therein, and a sheet stock 5 having air bubbles therein.